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SUBJECT: EC FOOD AID TO SOMALIA - UMR

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1. WE HAVE BROUGHT TO THE ATTENTION OF LUCACCIONI, AND EC COMMIS-
SION OFFICIAL CHARGED WITH FOOD AID MATTERS, THE IWC DATE LISTED
IN REF. A. WHEAT IMPORTS INTO SOMALIA. WE ALSO QUESTIONED LU-
CACCIONI ABOUT THE APPARENT DISCREPANCY BETWEEN THESE DATA AND
THE UMR OF 22,000 MT ESTABLISHED BY THE COMMISSION FOR SOMALIA.

2. ACCORDING TO LUCACCIONI, THE 22,000 TON UMR FOR SOMALIA WAS
ESTABLISHED BY THE COMMISSION IN AUGUST 1973 IN CONJUNCTION WITH
A PROPOSED 10,000 MT WHEAT FOOD AID SHIPMENT UNDER THE COMMUNITY'S
1971/72 FOOD AID COMMITMENT (REF.B). HE SAYS THIS UMR WAS
ESTABLISHED FOR THE ENTIRE 1973/74 FISCAL YEAR AND THUS WAS
INTENDED TO APPLY TO ALL WHEAT FOOD AID SHIPMENTS TO SOMALIA IN
THAT FISCAL YEAR, REGARDLESS OF THE ANNUAL FOOD AID
COMMITMENT INVOLVED (1971/72, 1972/73, OR 1973/74).

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3. THE PROPOSED EC FOOD AID TO SOMALIA OF 2,649 MT OF SOFT WHEAT FLOUR (REF.C) IS SCHEDULED TO BE SHIPPED DURING THE LAST SIX MONTHS OF THE 1973/74 SICAL YEAR. THEREFORE, IN LUCACCIONI'S OPINION, THE APPLICABLE UMR SHOULD BE 22,000 MT, AS ESTABLISHED BY THE COMMISSION.

4. LUCACCIONI ADDS THAT ALL DONOR COUNTRIES AS WELL AS THE CSD (SEE CSD DOCUMENT 73/29 OF OCT. 26, 1973) WERE NOTIFIED IN 1973 OF THE 22,000 TON UMR FOR SOMALIA AND THAT NO OBJECTIONS TO IT WERE RAISED AT THAT TIME.

5. LUCACCIONI EXPECTS THE COMMISSION TO PROPOSE A UMR OF 28,000 MT FOR SHIPMENTS TO SOMALIA IN FISCAL YEAR 1974/75. THE 1973-74 22,000 TON UMR WAS ESTABLISHED ON THE BASIS OF IWC FIGURES AVAILABLE IN AUGUST 1973, I.E., THE AVERAGE OF FIVE PREVIOUS YEARS ENDING IN 1971/72.
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